## (57) ABSTRACT

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A method and a multichannel pipetting apparatus (40) for simultaneous pipetting of a plurality of sample wells (44) or containers. The pipetting channels (12) of the apparatus have been divided into groups, which are connected via an adapter (30) containing a plurality of channels (31) to pipetting tips (20) of a known type. By changing the adapter or the adapter zone (22), a suitable configuration for different sample plates (42) or containers is selected.